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SUBJ: UNGA DISARMAMENT: NIGERIAN DRAFT RESOLUTION

ON AFRICAN NUCLEAR FREE ZONE

1. AMB CLARK (NIGERIA) PROVIDED AMB MARTIN (US) NOV. 1 WITH
THE FOLLOWING TEXT OF DRAFT RESOLUTION ON AFRICAN NUCLEAR
FREE ZONE:

2. BEGIN TEXT

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

DETERMINED TO PROMOTE AN AGREEMENT ON GENERAL AND COMPLETE
DISARMAMENT IN PURSUANCE OF THE OBJECTIVES OF THE UNITED
NATIONS, WHICH WOULD PUT AN END TO THE ARMAMENTS RACE AND
ELIMINATE THE INCENTIVE TO THE PRODUCTION, STOCKPILING AND
TESTING OF ALL KINDS OF WEAPONS, PARTICULARLY NUCLEAR WEAPONS;

CONVINCED THAT THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS WOULD
SERIOUSLY ENHANCE THE DANGER OF NUCLEAR WAR;

BELIEVING THAT MILITARILY DENUCLEARIZED ZONES COVERING THE
TERRITORIES OF MEMBER STATES WOULD ARREST THE PROLIFERATION
OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE

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AND SECURITY IN THEIR RESPECTIVE REGIONS AND THE WORLD;

AFFIRMING THE INALIENABLE RIGHT OF ALL THE PEOPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS TO DEVELOP RESEARCH, PRODUCTION AND USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES;

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTIONS 1652(XVI) OF 24 NOVEMBER 1961 AND 2033(XX) OF 3 DECEMBER 1965 WHICH CALLED UPON ALL STATES TO CONSIDER AND RESPECT THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA, INCLUDING THE CONTINENTAL AFRICAN STATES, MADAGASCAR AND OTHER ISLANDS SURROUNDING AFRICA, AS A NUCLEAR-FREE ZONE;

CONSIDERING THAT THE ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY, AT ITS FIRST REGULAR SESSION, HELD AT CAIRO FROM 17 TO 21 JULY 1964, ISSUED A SOLEMN DECLARATION ON THE DENUCLEARISATION OF AFRICA IN WHICH THE HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCED THEIR READINESS TO UNDERTAKE, IN AN INTERNATIONAL TREATY TO BE CONCLUDED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE UNITED NATIONS, NOT TO MANUFACTURE OR ACQUIRE CONTROL OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS;

NOTING THAT THE AFOREMENTIONED DECLARATION OF THE AFRICAN HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT ON THE DENUCLEARISATION OF THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA WAS ENDORSED BY THE HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES IN THE DECLARATION ISSUED ON 10 OCTOBER 1964, AT THE CLOSE OF THEIR SECOND CONFERENCE, HELD AT CAIRO;

RECALLING THE LEGAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS ASSUMED BY THE STATES PARTIES TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, PARTICULARLY ARTICLES 1 AND 11,

1. REAFFIRMS AGAIN ITS CALL UPON ALL STATES TO CONSIDER AND RESPECT THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA AS A NUCLEAR-FREE ZONE;

2. REITERATES ITS CALL UPON ALL STATES TO RESPECT AND ABIDE BY THE DECLARATION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT ON THE DENUCLEARIZATION OF AFRICA;

3. REITERATES FURTHER ITS CALL UPON ALL STATES TO REFRAIN FROM TESTING, MANUFACTURING, DEPLOYING, TRANSPORTING, STORING, USING, OR THE THREAT OF USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AFRICAN CONTINENT;

4. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS TO REPORT TO THE THIRTEENTH ORDINARY SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON SUCH ACTIONS AND STEPS AS THE UNITED NATIONS MAY TAKE TOWARDS THE REALIZATION OF THE AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THIS RESOLUTION;

5. DECIDES TO INSCRIBE ON THE AGENDA OF ITS THIRTEENTH
SESSION AN ITEM ENTITLED "IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON
THE DENUCLEARIZATION OF AFRICA".
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